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**ADDITIONAL OPTIONAL TALKING POINTS**

**1. U.S. AND CHINA HAVE A SHARED INTEREST IN A SECURE AND STABLE ASIA (TAB E)**

- \* Enables economic growth and prosperity, something that benefits all nations
- \* Limits the impetus for weapons stockpiling and arms races
- \* Peaceful resolution of territorial disputes is important to the maintenance of security and stability

**2. IF RAISED: REITERATE CINCPAC POSITION ON TAIWAN (TAB F)**

- \* Re-enforce SECDEF position (TAB C)
- \* U.S. recognizes importance of issue to China
- \* Other nations in the area share our concern and support peaceful resolution
- \* (If raised: deployment of carriers last March was measured and appropriate)
- \* We do not support Taiwan independence, nor U.N. state membership
- \* U.S. continues to support One China Policy, Three Joint Communiques

**3. DISCUSS YOUR CONVERSATIONS WITH PRESIDENT CLINTON**

- \* Asia-Pacific region will continue to enjoy President's focus
- \* President committed to resourcing continued security and stability in region

**4. DISCUSS YOUR RECENT TRIP TO JAPAN (TAB G)**

- \* The U.S.-Japan security arrangement is defensive; principles unchanged
- \* Japan is not a nuclear power; constitution renounces the use of force
- \* Aim is to ensure continued regional security and stability
- \* Japan, like the U.S., is committed to peaceful resolution of regional differences
- \* China has benefited from the success of the U.S.-Japan security arrangement

**ADDITIONAL OPTIONAL READING:**

USDAO Beijing Personal For Message, subject: ADM Prueher Plenary Meeting with PRC MOD GEN Chi Haotian, 181035Z Sep 96 (TAB H):

*Chinese Perspectives on Defense Minister Chi Haotian's Visit to the United States and Key Issues in Sino-American Relations*, by Banning Garrett and Bonnie Glaser. November 7, 1996 (TAB I)

Background Papers Prepared by USCINCPAC Staff (TAB J):

- \* China/North-South Korea Relations (J2)
- \* China-Russia Relations (J2)

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- \* China-Japan Relations (J2)
- \* PRC Proliferation (J2)
- \* Freedom of Navigation Program and China (J3)
- \* Sensitive Reconnaissance Operations (SRO) Near the PRC (J3)
- \* F-16 Sale to Taiwan (J4)

**Information Papers Prepared by DIA for SECDEF (TAB K):**

- \* Restructuring Plans of the People's Liberation Army (PLA), 1997-2002
- \* PLA Modernization Objectives
- \* Chinese Views of the U.S. Role in the Asia-Pacific Region
- \* China's Relations with Iran
- \* Chinese Views of the U.S.-Japan Security Relationship
- \* Chinese View of China-Russian Relations
- \* The Military Balance in the Taiwan Strait
- \* PLA Views on U.S.-China Military Relations
- \* Chinese Views on the Korean Peninsula
- \* Key PLA Foreign Contacts for the Last Two Years